

SITE REVIEW TEAM VISIT

RHODE ISLAND SEA GRANT | NOVEMBER 5 & 6

Day I — Wednesday, November 5

MORNING

- 8:15 Meet at Hotel Viking Newport; travel to Seamen's Church Institute
- 8:30 Welcome by Seamen's Church Institute Superintendent Michelle Duga
- 8:35 PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND ADMINISTRATION
Dennis Nixon will give a 30-minute overview of Program Management.
Alan Desbonnet will give a 20-minute overview of the Research and Education programs.
Jennifer McCann will give a 20-minute overview of Extension, and how the Legal Program is interwoven into extension activities.
Monica Allard-Cox will give a 20-minute overview of Communications.
25 minutes for discussion/Q&A
- 10:30 Leave Seamen's Church Institute and travel to URI/GSO Bay Campus
Challenger Room, Ocean Science and Exploration Center
- 11:00 LINKING SCIENCE AND MANAGEMENT
Azure Cygler and Janet Coit (Director, R.I. Department of Environmental Management, the state's natural resources management agency) will provide a description of the ongoing Shellfish Management Plan research and extension project.

Jen McCann and Grover Fugate (Executive Director, R.I. Coastal Resources Management Council, the state's coastal management agency) provide a description of the ongoing R.I. Shoreline Special Area Management Plan project.
- 12:00 PROGRAMS WITHOUT BOUNDARIES—INTEGRATION ACROSS PROJECTS
Lunch with Rhode Island Sea Grant staff in Challenger Room
Meredith Haas will give an overview of communicating research.
Julia Wyman, via DVD presentation, will give an overview of the Legal Program.
Teresa Crean will give an overview of efforts in the historic coastal towns of Wickford and Newport, conducted in partnership with the URI Landscape Architecture Program.
Pam Rubinoff will give an overview of engagement with the R.I. Climate Commission.

AFTERNOON

- 1:00 Leave GSO and Travel to Wickford Yacht Club
- 1:30 BUILDING CAPACITY FOR LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY
Teresa Crean will lead a walking tour of historic Wickford, focusing on the resiliency/sea level rise work extension is engaged with, meeting along the way to discuss process and outcomes with various stakeholders and partners.

- 3:00 Leave Wickford and travel to GSO Coastal Institute
- 3:30 **BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION OF PROFESSIONALS**
Funded research PI Robinson Fulweiler (Boston University) will provide an overview of her interactions with Sea Grant from being a funded graduate student research assistant, to funded research PI.
- 4:00 **MEET THE STAKEHOLDERS**
GSO Mosby Center
- Bruce Corliss (Dean, URI Graduate School of Oceanography) will provide a welcome.
Select stakeholders will give short introductions, followed by an open session where Site Review Team and stakeholders have the opportunity to discuss engaging with Rhode Island Sea Grant in a variety of activities and events.
- 5:30 Day One completed

Day 2 — Thursday November 6

MORNING

- 8:15 Meet at Hotel Viking Newport; travel to Newport Shipyard
- 8:30 **HISTORY, TOURISM, AND RESILIENCY—NEWPORT WATERFRONT FUTURE**
Pamela Rubinoﬀ will lead a discussion, with select partners, about sea level rise and coastal resiliency eﬀorts taking place in historic downtown Newport.
- 9:30 Travel to GSO Challenger Room
- 10:00 **COLLABORATION TO TACKLE MAJOR ISSUES**
Dennis Nixon will facilitate a discussion with select regional NOAA and private foundation partners who are working collaboratively on major issues.
- 11:00 **STRONG INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS MAKE STRONG PROGRAMS**
Dennis Nixon will facilitate and discussion on issues of support, integration, and partnering with institutional partners Bruce Corliss (GSO Dean), Donald DeHayes (URI Provost), Richard Rhodes (URI College of the Environment and Life Sciences Associate Dean), Michael Yelnosky (Roger Williams University School of Law Dean).

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 **LUNCH & Site Review Team writing draft evaluation report**
- 3:30 Exit Interview with Rhode Island Sea Grant staﬀ & URI Administrators